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SUBJECT: EXCHANGE VISIT OF US GOVERNORS

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1. SOVIET EMBASSY POLITICAL COUNSELOR ISAKOV PRESENTED
FOLLOWING SUGGESTED ITINERARY FOR US GOVERNORS VISIT:
MOSCOW:

MAY 18, SUN - 12.10 - ARRIVAL PA 44; SIGHTSEEING TOUR OF
CITY; THEATRE

MAY 19, MON - VISIT CHAIRMAN COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF RSFSR;
VISIT TO CHAIRMAN OF MOSCOW SOVIET (CITY COUNCIL); URBAN
DEVELOPMENT, TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL; VISIT TO
MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSITY

MAY 20, TUE - VISIT CHAIRMAN OF SOVIET OF UNION OF USSR
SUPREME SOVIET; TOUR OF KREMLIN, VISIT TO MUSEUM - APARTMENT
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OF V. I. LENIN; VISIT TO LENINSKY KOMSOMOL AUTOMOBILE PLANT

(MOSKVICH); CONCERT OR CIRCUS PERFORMANCE

KIEV:

MAY 21, WED - DEPARTURE BY PLANE FOR KIEV; VISIT CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF UKRANIAN SSR; SIGHTSEEING TOUR OF CITY, MUSEUMS; CONCERT AT UKRANIAN PALACE OF CULTURE

MAY 22, THU - VISIT BOTANICAL INST. OF ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF UKRANIAN SSR, MEETING WITH VICE PRESIDENT, ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, UKRANIAN SSR; BOAT TRIP ON DNEPER RIVER; DINNER IN HONOR OF DELEGATION ON BEHALF OF GOVERNMENT OF UKRANIAN SSR

TASHKENT - SAMARKAND:

MAY 23, FRI - ARRIVAL TO TASHKENT BY PLANE; VISIT CHAIRMAN, COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF UZBEK SSR; TOUR OF "TASH-SELMASH" FACTORY; THEATRE

MAY 24, SAT - VISIT CHAIRMAN OF TASHKENT CITY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (URBAN DEVELOPMENT, TRANSPORTATION); VISIT TASHKENT STATE UNIV, MEETING WITH FACULTY AND STUDENTS; TOUR OF EXHIBITION OF ECONOMIC ACHIEVEMENTS OF UZBEK SSR (FIELD OF AGRICULTURE); VISIT COTTON GROWING COLLECTIVE FARM "LENINISM"

MAY 25, SUN - MEETING AT SAMARKAND REGIONAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL; SIGHTSEEING, HISTORICAL MONUMENTS AND NEW AREAS OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT; VISIT TO ALL-UNION PERSIAN LAMB BREEDING SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH INST; RECEPTION ON BEHALF OF GOVT OF UZBEK SSR

LENINGRAD:

MAY 26, MON - ARRIVAL BY PLANE FROM TASHKENT; SIGHTSEEING TOUR OF LENINGRAD; VISIT TO PISKAREV MEMORIAL CEMETERY; THEATRE

MAY 27, TUE - VISIT CHAIRMAN OF LENINGRAD CITY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (URBAN DEVELOPMENT, TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL); SIGHTSEEING IN SUBWAY SYSTEM; VISIT TO HERMITAGE GALLERY; DINNER ON BEHALF OF LENINGRAD CITY EXECUTIVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COUNCIL

MOSCOW:

MAY 28, WED - ARRIVAL FROM LENINGRAD BY PLANE; VISIT EXHIBITION OF ECONOMIC ACHIEVEMENTS (ENERGY PROBLEMS); TOUR OF OSTANKINO TV TOWER; MEETING AT INST. OF US STUDIES

MAY 29, THU - FREE TIME; RECEPTION ON BEHALF OF COUNCIL OF

MINISTERS OF RSFSR

MAY 30, FRI - 13.45 - DEPARTURE "SHEREMETIEVO - 1" AIRPORT
BY PA 45.

2. IN PRESENTING ITINERARY, ISAKOV SAID THAT WHILE HIS GOVT WAS OPEN TO ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS, HE FELT THAT SCHEDULE SUBSTANTIALLY MET GOVERNORS' INTERESTS AND HE HOPED THERE WOULD BE MINIMUM OF RECOMMENDED CHANGES. HE CONFIRMED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO PROBLEMS WITH WIVES ACCOMPANYING AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE, AND RAISED QUESTION OF WHETHER PRESS WOULD WISH TO ACCOMPANY, AS WAS CASE IN 1971. WE AGREED THAT QUESTION OF PRESS ACCOMPANIMENT SHOULD NOT BE LEFT UNTIL LAST MINUTE, AS WAS CASE IN 1971. DEPT IS IN TOUCH WITH NAT'L GOVERNORS CONFERENCE ON THIS MATTER AND IS RECOMMENDING APPROXIMATELY ONE LOCAL CORRESPONDENT PER GOVERNOR.

3. WHEN WE NOTED THAT NO MEETINGS WITH HIGH PARTY OFFICIALS WERE SCHEDULED, ISAKOV REPLIED THAT THIS NOT NECESSARY SINCE NUMBER OF HIGH GOVT OFFICIALS GOVERNORS SCHEDULED MEET WERE ALSO IMPORTANT PARTY OFFICIALS. WHEN WE NOTED ABSENCE OF SPECIFIC MEETINGS ON SUBJECTS IN WHICH GOVERNORS EXPRESSED INTEREST, ISAKOV SAID THAT THOSE DISCUSSIONS WOULD TAKE PLACE DURING MEETINGS SCHEDULED WITH VARIOUS GOVT OFFICIALS.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY COMMENTS ON PROPOSED ITINERARY, WHICH HAS ALSO BEEN TRANSMITTED TO GOVERNORS. WE PLAN AT MINIMUM TO ASK FOR MORE ON-SITE VISITS TO BE COMBINED WITH SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS, AND TO NOTE THAT PA 44 DOES NOT BEGIN SERVICE UNTIL MAY 22. WE ARE ALSO CONSIDERING WHETHER WE SHOULD RAISE ISSUE OF MEETING WITH HIGH PARTY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OFFICIALS AGAIN.

5. FOR WARSAW: WE HAVE ASKED GOVERNORS TO MAKE FIRM DECISION RE VISIT TO POLAND FOLLOWING DEPARTURE MOSCOW AND HOPE FOR AFFIRMATIVE REPLY. WILL ADVISE. KISSINGER

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